(a) whether credit facilities to minorities in the minority concentrated areas have been satisfactory;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) the steps being taken to solve the problem?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) and (b) Yes Sir. As per data provided by Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on credit disbursement to Minority Communities in 121 Minority Concentrated Districts by Scheduled Commercial Banks, the number of accounts have increased from 14,15,094 in 2004 to 32,21,222 in 2008 and the amount disbursed has increased from Rs.3980 crore in 2004 to Rs.24006 crore in 2008.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) To ensure adequate credit flow to the Minority Communities, RBI has been issuing instructions/guidelines to Scheduled Commercial Banks from time to time. The latest Master Circular No.RPCD.SP.BC.No.6/09.10.01/2008-09 dated July 1, 2008 is available on RBI website at ***www.rbi.org.in***. These instructions include, *Inter-alia*, the following:-

- Creation of a special cell in each bank headed by a 'Nodal Officer';
- The Lead Bank in each Minority Concentration District will have an officer exclusively to look after problems regarding credit flow to Minority Communities;
- Minority Communities to receive a fair and equitable portion of the credit within the overall target of the priority sector;
- Review of steps taken to facilitate the flow of credit to the Minority Communities and progress made, in District Consultative Committee and State Level Bankers Committee meetings;
- Organizing Entrepreneur Development Programmes by lead banks in identified districts for members of Minority Communities;
- Organizing sensitization workshops for bank officials;
- Publicity of various antipoverty programmes and publicity through print and electronic media for creating awareness among Minority Communities.

Meeting of G-20

2400. SHRI KALRAJ MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the United States of America (USA) has moved a proposal for a G-20 meet, with India as a member of G-20 to discuss ways to deal with the fiscal crisis;

(b) if so, the details of the proposal and issues of common concern proposal for the meet; and

(c) the result of such discussions, if any held?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL): (a) The United States of America (USA) had invited G20 member country Leaders (Heads of States) for a Summit. This G-20 Summit on "Financial Markets and the World Economy" was help in the Washington on 15th November 2008. The Indian Delegation for the Summit was led by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

(b) The invitation for the Summit proposed/recommended:

(i) to review progress being made to address the current financial crisis, advance a common understanding of its causes, and, in order to avoid a repetition, agree on a common set of principles for reform of the regulatory and institutional regimes for the world's financial sectors which can be further developed by working groups for consideration in subsequent summits.

(ii) to discuss the effects of the crisis on emerging market economies and developing nations.

(iii) to discuss enhancing commitment to open, competitive economies as well as trade and investment liberalisation.

(c) After the Summit Meeting, the Leaders of Group of Twenty (G20) issued a declaration, *Inter alia*, outlining "Root Causes of the Current Crisis", "Actions taken and to Be Taken". Further, the declaration has put forth a comprehensive "Action Plan to Implement the Principles for Reform" as part of the coordinated response to the global financial turmoil. The G20 has proposed to carry forward the commitments in the Summit Declaration by constituting few G20 Working Groups that would have representation from each of the G20 member countries and these working groups would work out the details of the way forward.

Tax collection in Uttar Pradesh

2401. SHRI KAMAL AKHTAR: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the amount collected by way of taxes from Uttar Pradesh in the last three years, year-wise;

(b) what was the amount of Central funds provided to the State during that period, year-wise;

(c) what percentage did the Central funds constitute of the tax collection, year-wise; and

(d) what is the percentage nearly holds for the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Licensing of Nifty to Singapore Exchange Limited

2402. SHRI AMIR ALAM KHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state: